FIRE DRIVER

(Promotional Class)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS

This class encompasses responsible and skilled fire line positions, the major duties of which include driving assigned apparatus to and from the fire scene or emergency, placement of apparatus, and the operation of pumps and other apparatus and equipment at the scene of the fire or other emergency. Employees of this class also assist in the extinguishing of fires, administering emergency medical services, and inspecting and maintaining fire apparatus and equipment. Fire Drivers perform routine tasks independently, requiring some supervision on special assignments, and report to and have work reviewed by a Fire Captain. This class ranks directly below that of Fire Captain.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Responds to emergency calls by driving fire apparatus, making sure to follow all laws and safety regulations, and selecting shortest available route to the fire or emergency scene. Places apparatus at fire scene according to instructions of commanding officer. Sets up truck jacks or outriggers where equipped to stabilize apparatus.

Performs hose operations including deploying, making and breaking connections, advancing, and utilizing various types of nozzles and appliances, including foam applications. Determines the number of hose lines that may be added at any point during operations. Performs pumper operations in order to supply adequate water pressure to the hose lines, including operations from self-contained or static water sources. Calculates for water flow, nozzle and discharge pressures, and friction loss for hose lines, appliances, and elevation. Performs automatic sprinkler system and standpipe system support operations. Performs relay and tandem pumper operations. Operates fire hydrant for additional water supply. Performs truck operations such as operating boom, ladders and other aerial apparatus.

May assist the fire attack and suppression operations, or the containment of hazardous materials, when not engaged in operations of pump or other support equipment. Fire scene duties may include forcible entry, search and rescue, ladder operations, ventilation, and salvage and overhaul and the operation of self-contained breathing apparatus. Performs

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emergency medical services and administers CPR. Operates communications equipment at the emergency scene, requesting additional equipment or personnel as directed.

Participates in pre-fire planning, including conducting inspections, studying hydrant locations, and gaining knowledge of exposures, occupancy types, and areas of high risk in residential and industrial areas.

Participates in training and/or drills as required by the department. Provides informal or on-the-job training for new employees, and offers technical expertise, assistance, and cooperation in training and firefighting efforts when required.

Performs regular and routine service and maintenance on fire department apparatus and equipment, including fire pumps, aerial ladders, elevating platforms, and emergency medical equipment. Cleans apparatus after each use, checking to ensure that all hand tools and equipment are working properly and restored to apparatus as required. Participates in testing of fire department apparatus and equipment. Performs daily radio checks. Completes assigned maintenance forms as required.

Performs any related duties assigned.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>Unless otherwise specified, all requirements listed below must be met by the filing deadline for application for admission to the examination.</u>

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States, and of legal age.

After offer of promotion, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a physical examination, the selection and administration of which shall be authorized by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Must possess a valid Louisiana driver's license.

Must be a regular and permanent employee in the class of Firefighter immediately preceding closing date for application to the board.

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